

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc, the copy protected optical disc carrying content and control data in a data area, the content being arranged in one or more content files, and the control data providing access to the content, wherein at least one region of the content which contains subversive data is provided within the data area, and navigation is provided for normal playback of the copy protected optical disc, the navigation comprising navigation paths defined by said control data which can be used for access to the content on the copy protected optical disc, and wherein during normal playback of the content on the copy protected optical disc ~~utilising~~ utilizing the navigation paths, access to the ~~or each~~ at least one region of subversive data is prevented, the method comprising:

accessing the content on the copy protected optical disc by navigating to the content ~~utilising~~ utilizing the navigation paths provided for normal playback of the copy protected optical disc,

storing the accessed content in a corresponding data area, and

including arbitrary data in any regions of the corresponding data area which correspond to regions containing subversive data.

2. (Previously Presented) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 1, wherein there are no navigation paths which provide access to the at least one region of subversive data.

3. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 2, wherein the navigation paths are mapped to identify regions of the data area which are not accessed by said navigation paths, the ~~copying~~ method further comprising accessing the data in the data area in a linear manner and ~~storing the content therein~~ storing the accessed data in the corresponding data area, but avoiding accessing any region identified as not accessed by navigation paths and storing arbitrary data in regions of the corresponding data area

~~corresponding to any region identified as not accessed by navigation paths~~ ~~place of the content in the corresponding regions of the data area.~~

4. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 2, the ~~copying~~ method further comprising playing the copy protected optical disc whereby the content on the copy protected optical disc is accessed in a manner determined by the navigation paths, and storing the content retrieved ~~from the data area~~ in ~~[[a]]~~ the corresponding data area.

5. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 1, wherein there are navigation paths which lead to the at least one region of subversive data, but such navigation paths are such that they do not provide access to the subversive data during normal playback of the content on the copy protected optical disc.

6. (Previously Presented) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 5, wherein navigation paths defined by the control data are mapped to identify regions of the data area which are not accessed by the navigation paths, the copying method further comprising accessing the data area in a linear manner and storing the content therein, but avoiding accessing any region identified as not accessed by the navigation paths and storing arbitrary data in place of the content in the corresponding regions of the data area.

7. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 5, the copying method further comprising playing the copy protected optical disc whereby the content on the copy protected optical disc is accessed in a manner determined by the navigation paths, and storing the content retrieved ~~from the data area~~ in ~~[[a]]~~ the corresponding data area to build up an image of the content and control data on the copy protected optical disc.

8. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 1, wherein the copy protected optical disc is played by an optical disc player to obtain the

content of the copy protected optical disc, and wherein the content output by the optical disc player is stored.

9. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 8, further comprising commanding the optical disc player to play all of the content of the copy protected optical disc such that the copy of the content data is complete.

10. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 1, further comprising producing a different optical disc from the stored content.

11. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 1, wherein the at least one region of subversive data is formed within content files, as an additional content file, or as a gap between two adjacent content files, the method comprising accessing the content files to retrieve their content, and storing the content in corresponding content files.

12. (Previously Presented) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 11, wherein the content files are video object files and are composed of video objects (VOBs) which are divided into cells, and wherein the cells can be accessed by respective pointers in navigation paths defined by the control data.

13. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 12, wherein the at least one region of subversive data is formed as an additional cell within a video object, and wherein there are no pointers accessing the additional cell.

14. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 12, wherein the at least one region of subversive data is formed as an additional cell within a video object, and wherein there are pointers accessing the additional cell but the use of pre commands or cell commands ensures that the additional cell is not played during normal playback of the material.

15. (Currently Amended) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 12, wherein the at least one region of subversive data is inserted within a video object, and wherein there are no pointers accessing said region.

16. (Previously Presented) A method of copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 1, wherein the arbitrary data included in said regions of the data area comprises sectors of zeros.

17-23. (Cancelled)

24. (Currently Amended) An apparatus ~~Apparatus~~ for copying a copy protected optical disc, the copy protected optical disc carrying content and control data in a data area, the content being arranged in one or more content files, and the control data providing access to the content, wherein at least one region which contains subversive data is provided within the data area, and navigation is provided for normal playback of the copy protected optical disc, the navigation comprising navigational paths defined by said control data which can be used for access to the content on the copy protected optical disc, and wherein during normal playback of the content on the copy protected optical disc ~~utilising~~ utilizing the navigation paths, access to the ~~or each~~ at least one region of subversive data is prevented, said apparatus comprising:

a processor;

a memory accessible to the processor for storing content and control data;

an access module, executable by the processor, for accessing the content on the copy

protected optical disc by ~~utilising~~ utilizing the navigation provided for normal playback of the copy protected optical disc, said access module comprising a mapping module for mapping the navigation paths to identify regions of the data area which are not accessed by said navigation paths, and an access device for accessing regions of the data area which have not been identified as said regions, in a linear manner;

a storage module, resident in the memory, for storing the accessed content in a corresponding data area; and

an incorporation module, executable by the processor, for incorporating arbitrary data into any regions of the corresponding data area which correspond to regions containing subversive data.

25. (Currently Amended) ~~The apparatus~~ Apparatus for copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 24, wherein there are no navigation paths which provide access to the at least one region of subversive data, ~~and said storage module is arranged to store the accessed content from the data area into a corresponding data area.~~

26. (Currently Amended) ~~The apparatus~~ Apparatus for copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 24, wherein there are navigation paths which lead to the at least one region of subversive data, but such navigation paths have been altered such that they do not provide access to the subversive data during normal playback of the content on the copy protected optical disc, ~~and wherein said storage module is arranged to store the accessed content from the data area into a corresponding data area.~~

27. (Currently Amended) ~~The apparatus~~ Apparatus for copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 24, wherein said access module for accessing the content on the copy protected optical disc comprises a receiver for receiving the output from an optical disc player, and wherein said storage module is arranged to retrieve the content from the output and to store the retrieved content in ~~[[a]]~~ the corresponding data area whereby an image of the content and control data on the copy protected optical disc is stored.

28. (Currently Amended) ~~The apparatus~~ Apparatus for copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 27, further comprising a command module for commanding the optical disc player to play all of the content on the copy protected optical disc such that the stored image of the copy protected optical disc is complete.

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~Apparatus~~ for copying a copy protected optical disc according to Claim 24, further comprising a burn module for burning the accessed content and arbitrary data onto ~~[[an]]~~ a different optical disc.

31-32. (Cancelled)